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Dear Mr. Davis:

Enclosed is a revised Schedule B from form 3x for the period 1/1/97 - 6/30/97 (Mid-Year Report) for the Society of Thoracic Surgeons Political Action Committee.

I apologize that we did not understand the limits that apply to contributions of a political action committee that was not at that time a multi-candidate PAC.

We were in error in making two contributions of \$5,000 each to the Frist 2000 committee, one each for the primary and the general election. After the receipt of your letter, we requested return from the Frist 2000 committee of \$8,000. This has now been received and both our letter and a copy of the check are enclosed. The \$8,000 refund from Frist 2000 to the STS PAC will be reflected in the 1997 year end report.

Our report of July 29, 1997 had, in addition, shown contributions of \$2,000 to Citizens for Arlen Specter (Senator Arlen Specter's reelection campaign) and The Grassley Committee (Senator Charles Grassley's reelection campaign). These represented two contributions of \$1,000 each, one for the primary and the second for the general election. Our revised form reflects these corrections.

Please let me know if any further action is necessary.

Sincerely,

Robert Wilbur
Director, Government Relations
Assistant Treasurer, STS - PAC

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